

RUSHVILLE CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2012
5:30 P.M.

The Rushville City Board of Public Works and Safety met in regular session on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, Angie Barton, and Marvin Hedrick answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse, and Melissa Conrad, *Rushville Republican*.

PUBLIC HEARING: 227-231 North Main Street – Mayor Pavey opened the public hearing on the property located at 227-231 North Main. Chief Jenkins said a title search has been completed and the owner has been notified. Jenkins said the façade is a big problem. He said he needs to get inside and do further investigation. The owner, Gary Felts, has requested an extension to come down and let Jenkins in the building until sometime in March due to his ill health. Hedrick made a motion to contact Felts and ask him to send a key to Jenkins or ask if he had a family member that could let Jenkins in the building before the next meeting in January. If he doesn't comply then the Board will take appropriate measures. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Barton made a motion to close the public hearing. McGowan seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

MINUTES

Minutes of the December 4, 2012 meeting were presented for approval. Barton made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Pavey reported:

- He still has not received any word from the hospital as to a meeting concerning the ambulance service.
- The County has given permission for Lane Excavating to move forward with the Fraley Wilker drain project.
- Park Restaurant – discovery is continuing.
- Search for ECDC Director – Resumes are due by January 7 and they are hoping to hire in February.
- There will be a meeting of the Employee Benefit Committee January 10th at 6:30.
- The reception for Jim Finan will be December 20th from 4:30 to 6:00.
- The first meeting in January will be on the 2nd due to Tuesday being a holiday

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT

None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Police – The Police Department held its Christmas party and awards ceremony last Friday. Reserve Officer of the Year was Floyd Cameron; Chris Keith was named Communication Officer of the Year; Citizen’s Award was given to Floyd Cameron, Brent Campbell and Mike Ervin; Safe Streets Award and Officer of the Year were awarded to Alex Shaver.

CITIZEN CONCERNS

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Police Policy and Procedure Manual Revision – It has been turned over to the City Attorney for final review. Mayor Pavey has given a deadline of January 2013 to approve or disapprove.

Animal Shelter Ordinance and Adoption Materials – The materials and ordinance have been reviewed and word has been received approving the use of the materials. McGowan made a motion to recommend to Council to approve the ordinance and materials. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fire Rescue Ambulance Report – Chief Jenkins handed out a report outlining his proposal for a BLS based ambulance.

Fire Department Hire – Jenkins said that Captain Kemker will most likely be retiring after the first of the year. Chief Jenkins asked permission to begin the hiring process. Hedrick made a motion to allow Chief Jenkins to move forward with an agility test and written test and get a hiring list put together. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Police Department Detective Promotion – Chief Tucker said he posted for applicants for the position of Detective. Only one application was received from Officer Randy Meek. Tucker recommended that Meek be promoted to Detective. Hedrick made a motion to promote Meek to the position of Detective. Barton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Animal Shelter Hire – Animal Warden Moran stated that Ethan Ellis has resigned his position. She asked permission to advertise for a part time employee. Cameron made a motion to allow Moran to advertise for a part time employee. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Contracts for Services/City Donations – Cameron made a motion to approve the contracts with the Chamber of Commerce and Rush County Victim’s Assistance. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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Mayor Pavey presented a plaque to Board Member, Marvin Hedrick, in appreciation for his service to the City. Hedrick has resigned his position due to being elected to the Rush County Council.

There was no further business to come before the Board of Works; Hedrick made a motion to adjourn. Barton seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MAYOR

GARY M. CAMERON, MEMBER

DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

ANGELA L. BARTON, MEMBER

MARVIN L. HEDRICK, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER